

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In re DOMINIC KNIGHT, Minor.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

LAURA KNIGHT,

Respondent-Appellant.

UNPUBLISHED

January 5, 2006

No. 264435

St. Clair Circuit Court

Family Division

LC No. 04-000485-NA

Before: O'Connell, P.J., and Smolenski and Talbot, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondent appeals as of right from a circuit court order terminating her parental rights to the minor child pursuant to MCL 712A.19b(3)(c)(i), (g), (i) and (j). We affirm. This appeal is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E).

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that at least one statutory ground for termination had been proved by clear and convincing evidence. *In re IEM*, 233 Mich App 438, 450; 592 NW2d 751 (1999). Respondent had a history of drug and alcohol abuse. Despite participating in services and apparently overcoming her addiction to cocaine, she denied having a problem with alcohol and continued to drink, and consequently left others to care for her son. Further, the trial court's finding regarding the child's best interests was not clearly erroneous. *In re Trejo Minors*, 462 Mich 341, 354, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000); MCL 712A.19b(5). The trial court did not clearly err in terminating respondent's parental rights. *Trejo, supra*.

Affirmed.

/s/ Peter D. O'Connell

/s/ Michael R. Smolenski

/s/ Michael J. Talbot